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## A Salute to Heidi Mendoza:

KAISAKA, a transformational, multi-sector women's organization salutes Ms. Heidi Mendoza for showing outstanding courage in finding the truth about massive corruption in the Philippine military and in exposing this to the public through the recent legislative hearings.

Ms. Mendoza merits the admiration of every upright-thinking Filipino, not because "she has balls", (a male chauvinist remark of a legislator during one of the hearings, suggesting that only males are courageous) but because she is the exemplar of public service.

"Family first" has been the favorite motto of government officials. For many, this phrase has come to mean putting the narrow interest of their own families ahead of the public even in allotting government funds.

Ms. Mendoza deserves all the support as she risks life and limb and even the comfort of her family to uphold public good.

Heidi, mabuhay ka! Sulong! Kasama mokami!